



## **James Griffin MP**

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## **REGISTRATIONS OF INTEREST INVITED FOR PARTNERS TO CREATE VIBRANT HEALTH AND WELLBEING PRECINCT**

The NSW Government is inviting organisations to register their interest to help realise the vision of the health and wellbeing sanctuary on the former Manly Hospital site. Following the first sod being turned on the new Adolescent and Young Adult Hospice on the eastern block of the site, the NSW Government is forging ahead with the community plan to use the entire site for health and wellbeing precinct.

Member for Manly, James Griffin, said the Government is now ready to hear from experienced operators who may wish to use parts of the North Head site to provide services and activities that align with the precinct's vision and proposed master plan.

"This is an exciting opportunity for community groups, not-for-profits and other parties keen to join us in creating and contributing to a world-class and innovative health and wellbeing harbourfront sanctuary," Mr Griffin said.

The Registration of Interest (ROI) comes as The NSW Government is working with the community and health authorities to develop a master plan for the 4.6ha site.

Mr Griffin said the community lead masterplan struck the right balance for the sustainable use of the site consistent with the community's wishes.

To help realise the community's vision for the site, meeting the health and wellbeing needs of the people of the northern beaches and greater Sydney metropolitan area, a planning proposal was lodged with Northern Beaches Council in November 2020 seeking to expand the range of health, wellbeing and related uses permitted at the site under the current zoning.

Minister for Water, Property and Housing, Melinda Pavey said if approved, this will allow parts of the site to be used for activities consistent with the existing zoning, such as a group home, community and educational facilities, food and drink premises, childcare, indoor recreation, neighbourhood shops, function centre, respite day care centre and seniors housing.

"The registration of interest process we are launching today is an opportunity for us to identify operators who may be interested in leasing a part of the site to deliver some of these activities and services," Mrs Pavey said.

Registrations of interest will be used to identify suitable potential tenants and occupants of the site. Applicants may be requested to make a more formal submission at a later stage of the project.

More information about the project and the registration of interest process can be found at [formeranlyhospitalsite.com.au](http://formeranlyhospitalsite.com.au).

Applications close at 3pm on Thursday, 30 September 2021.

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